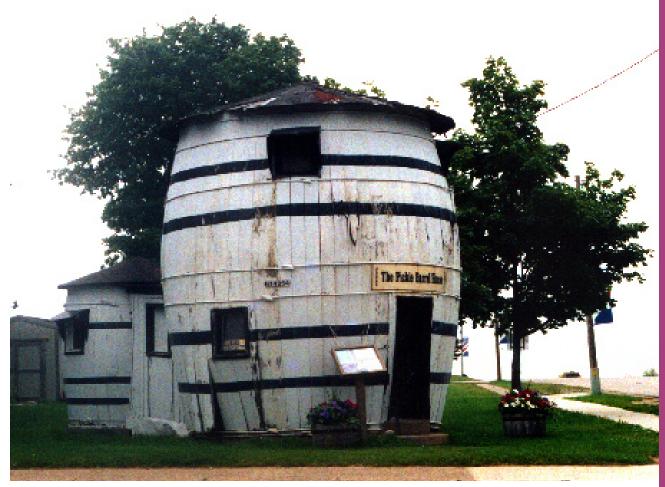
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PICKLE BARREL HOUSE

GRAND MARAIS



William Donahey's widely syndicated comic, The Teenie Weenies, debuted in the Chicago Tribune in 1914 and continued until the creator's death in 1970. The cartoon story featured miniature people who lived in a world of life-sized objects that to them were enormous. The popularity of these playful characters led to a contract for Donahey with the Chicago firm of Reid, Murdoch and Company, which hired the artist to create packaging and advertising for its line of food products. The Pickle Barrel House was a large-scale version of the miniature oak casks in which the company's Monarch-brand pickles were sold, and likely was intended as an advertisement for their pickle products. The owner, the Grand Marais Historical Society, sponsored a Michigan Historical Marker for the site in 2006. The house is also listed in the National Register of Historic Places.

Location: N14252 Lake Avenue, Burt Township

Applicant/Sponsor: Grand Marais Historical Society

Marker Erected: 2006

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